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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Lost Hills, California.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:)

Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))

Table of Allotments)

FM Broadcast Stations)

(Lost Hills, California))

RM-_____

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 289A (105.7 Mhz) to Lost Hills, California as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 289A (105.7 Mhz) to Lost Hills, California and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 289A to Lost Hills will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Lost Hills is located in Southern California. It is also located within Kern County, a county of some 543,477 persons. Lost Hills has a population of 1,212 persons in accordance with the 1999 Rand McNally Road Atlas, which is based on 1990 census data.

3. The allotment of channel 289A to Lost Hills will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Lost Hills is located at McFarland, California. McFarland is located 36 kilometers from Lost Hills. Lost Hills, while not incorporated, has many retail businesses as it is located just off the congested highway 46 and Interstate 5 which leads to Bakersfield, California. Lost Hills has also seen growth and is estimated to have a population of over 1,300 persons. It has a several businesses, a church and civic organizations.

4. Lost Hills would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 36 Kilometers of Lost Hills. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Lost Hills area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards. It is obvious from the above spacing, that Lost Hills is presently without local FM service.

5. Channel 289A can be allotted to Lost Hills and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Lost Hills, California	——	289A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 289A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 289A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 35 - 37' - 25", W. 119 - 48' - 43") are that of a site located 11.2 kilometers west of the community of Lost Hills. A site restriction of 11.2 kilometers west will be required to allot channel 289A to Lost Hills. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Lost Hills. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Lost Hills would benefit from the allotment of channel 289A. It has also been shown that channel 289A can be allotted to Lost Hills and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 289A for Lost Hills, California, 73.202.

8. Should channel 289A be allotted to Lost Hills, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Lost Hills, California.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Michael Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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MAPFM search of channel 289A6 (105.7 MHz), at N. 35 37 25, W. 119 48 43.

Searching Channel 289A6 (105.7 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Avenal	CA	236	A	U	49.1	10.0	331.2°	39.1
KAAX	Avenal	CA	236	A	C	49.1	10.0	331.2°	39.1
ALC	Delano	CA	287	B	U	69.1	69.0	100.1°	0.1
KKDJ	Delano	CA	287	B	L	69.1	69.0	100.1°	0.1
ALC	Ojai	CA	288	A	U	147.9	72.0	162.9°	75.9
ALC	Guadalupe	CA	288	A	U	100.5	72.0	223.5°	28.5
ALC	San Joaquin	CA	288	B1	V	100.1	96.0	324.2°	4.1
ALC	San Joaquin	CA	288	A	U	114.1	72.0	342.9°	42.1
K288BO	Paso Robles, etc.	CA	288	D	L	78.2	0.0	269.9°	78.2
KIDIFM	Guadalupe	CA	288	A	L	107.2	72.0	221.4°	35.2
KKBE	Ojai	CA	288	A	L	147.9	72.0	163.0°	75.9
KVPC	San Joaquin	CA	288	B1	A	100.1	96.0	324.2°	4.1
KVPC	San Joaquin	CA	288	A	C	120.7	72.0	349.6°	48.7
ALC	Fresno	CA	290	B	U	164.4	113.0	12.0°	51.4
ALC	Santa Ynez	CA	290	A	U	114.7	72.0	192.3°	42.7
KRAZ	Santa Ynez	CA	290	A	C	122.4	72.0	189.2°	50.4
KRAZ	Santa Ynez	CA	290	A	A	122.2	72.0	187.4°	50.2
KRNC	Fresno	CA	290	B	L	164.4	113.0	12.0°	51.4
ALC	Greenacres	CA	291	B1	U	98.7	48.0	99.0°	50.7
ALC	Santa Margarita	CA	291	B1	U	81.9	48.0	249.1°	33.9
KRAB	Greenacres	CA	291	B1	L	102.5	48.0	106.6°	54.5
KRAB	Greenacres	CA	291	B1	C	73.1	48.0	103.3°	25.1
KWEZ	Santa Margarita	CA	291	B1	L	81.9	48.0	249.1°	33.9
ALC	Kingsburg	CA	292	B1	U	79.4	48.0	12.5°	31.4
KLVK	Kingsburg	CA	292	A	L	93.0	31.0	10.7°	62.0
KLVK	Kingsburg	CA	292	B1	C	93.0	48.0	10.7°	45.0

FIGURE 1
LOST HILLS, CALIFORNIA
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING